



INITIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EXAMINATION

Scholarship Assistance to the American University of Beirut (AUB)

PROGRAM/ACTIVITY DATA:

Country Code-SO: 268-001
 AO Name: Student Improvement Achieved
 Country or Region: Lebanon
 Activity Name: Scholarship Assistance to the AUB

Funding Begin: February 2011 Funding End: February 2014 LOP Amount: \$ 2,509,008
 Sub-Activity Amount:

IEE Prepared by: Mario Rebeiz

Date: March 1, 2011

IEE Amendment (Y/N): N If "Yes," Number @ Date of Original IEE:

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION RECOMMENDED: (Place X where applicable)

Categorical Exclusion:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deferral:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Positive Determination:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Negative Determination:	<input type="checkbox"/>
With Conditions:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exemption:	<input type="checkbox"/>

BACKGROUND

USAID/Lebanon is proposing to award a follow on cooperative agreement to the American University of Beirut (AUB) for scholarship assistance to meritorious yet financially needy students. The project activities consist solely of financial aid granting to existing students who were USAID previous recipients at AUB starting in February 2011 and ending in February 2014. The proposed project will target 222 students.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The follow on cooperative agreement to AUB will be used only to financially assist existing meritorious needy students at AUB and will not involve any construction, pesticides or chemicals. Therefore, USAID's assistance under this project does not have any effect on the natural or physical environment.

ENVIRONMENTAL DECISIONS

All activities under the Scholarship Assistance to the American University of Beirut qualify for Categorical Exclusion per 22 CFR 216.2 (c)(2)(i) as "education, technical assistance, or training programs except to the extent such programs include activities directly affecting the environment (such as construction of facilities, etc..).".



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CLEARANCE:

Education / Democracy Governance Acting Office Director
Approval: Timothy Alexander
Timothy Alexander

03/04/2011
Date

Mission Environmental Officer
Approval: Sana Saliba
Sana Saliba

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Approval: Dr. Jim Barhart
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Date

Middle East Bureau Environmental Officer
Approval: Robert Macleod
Robert Macleod

Date: 3/17/11
Approved: ☒
Disapproved: ☐

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Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 8:23 AM
To: Macleod, Robert (ME/TS)
Cc: Rebeiz, Mario
Subject: FW: AUB IEE

Dear Robert,

I would appreciate receiving your comments and/or your approval of the attached IEE.

Thank you.

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From: Saliba, Sana G
Sent: Tuesday, March 08, 2011 4:18 PM
To: Macleod, Robert (ME/TS)
Cc: Rebeiz, Mario
Subject: AUB IEE



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Dear Robert,

attached for your review and clearance, IEE for a scholarship program implemented by the American University in Beirut. This activity does not have any negative environmental impacts and is therefore recommended for categorical exclusion.

Thank you,

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